

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 192

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A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize John Michael Baggett,  
2017 Valedictorian of Kenwood High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, John Michael Baggett is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2017 graduating class at Kenwood High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, John Michael Baggett has achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, John Michael Baggett has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while participating in a variety of extracurricular activities, including Math Team, Science Olympiad, Key Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA), Concert Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Marching Band, Mechatronics Club, and Robotics Club; and

WHEREAS, a leader in his school, Mr. Baggett is the FCA co-president, National Honor Society vice president, and Mechatronics Club president; he has served as section leader in concert and marching band throughout his high school career; and

WHEREAS, active in his community, John Michael Baggett joined the prestigious Eagle Court of Honor in January 2015; he volunteers and mentors children at Cumberland Heights Elementary, serves as spokesman for The STEM Academy at his school, and has played in his church orchestra since the sixth grade; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Mr. Baggett was included in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* and won the Adams Service Project of the Year Award for the Middle Tennessee Council; he was the Tennessee nominee for the U.S. Presidential Scholars program and a Boys State delegate his junior year, and he was selected to perform in the Mid-State Band, Gateway Music Association Honors Band, and Austin Peay State University Honors Band; and

WHEREAS, a three-year member of the National Rifle Association All State Team, John Michael Baggett has competed nationally as a four-year member of the Tennessee Scholastic Clay Target Program; he has placed in the top ten nationally twice, and he has won the Tennessee Sporting Clays Winter Series points race two years in a row, competing against youth and adults alike; and

WHEREAS, John Michael Baggett's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, John Michael Baggett's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of the members of this General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2017 Kenwood High School Valedictorian, John Michael Baggett, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.